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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7572

INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

AMCONSUL DHAHRAN

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AMEMBASSY MANAMA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KUWAIT 3202

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS PONS BA

SUBJ: BAHRAIN COASTAL SURVEY

REF: MANAMA 539

1. I FULLY CONCUR WITH RECOMMENDATIONS REFTEL THAT WE SHOULD MAKE SOME FURTHER EFFORT TO SPUR GOB ALONG TO SOME ACTION TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS COASTAL SURVEY.

2. HOPE DEPT CAN PROVIDE INFO RE TRAINING REQUESTED MANAMA 352 IN FORM OF OFFER AND SUGGEST WAYS USG MIGHT BE ABLE HELP FINANCE COSTS OF EQUIPMENT DESIRED. ASSUME CREDIT LIKELY INVOLVE EXIMBANK. IF GOB INDICATES SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST, ONE-TWO MAN TEAM MAY BE NEEDED LATER TO ARRANGE DETAILS.

3. IT OCCURS TO US THAT WHEN WE ARE DISCUSSING COASTAL DEFENSE MATTERS WITH KUWAITIS IN FUTURE, WE MIGHT SUGGEST COMBINING COASTAL DEFENSE REQUIREMENTS OF KUWAIT AND BAHRAIN - AND POSSIBLY ABU DHABI. THIS COULD GIVE US ENTREE TO KUWAIT FUTURE NAVY AND MAY BE MEANS OF GETTING GOK TO HELP PAY FOR GOB REQUIREMENTS.

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RATIONALE, IF ONE NEEDED, COULD BE THAT SECURTIY OF ALL GULF

STATES LINKED TOGETHER AND THREAT TO ONE IS THREAT TO ALL. SUCH
GULF COASTAL DEFENSE SHOULD, OF COURSE, BE
DISCUSSED WITH SAUDIS WHO MIGHT WANT TO TAKE THE LEAD.
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